

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5850
ANSWERED ON:03.05.2002
EXPORT OF WHEAT TO SRI LANKA
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government have agreed to export 3 lakh tonnes of wheat annually to Sri Lanka on a 15 year credit package;
- (b) whether the Government normal credit period is three years and if so, the reasons for the deviation made;
- (c) whether the consignments are proposed to be exported on CIF basis, contrary to our practice of despatch on F.O.B. basis;
- (d) if so, whether the agreed price will cover the CIF costs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI PRADHAN)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e): The Sri Lankan Prime Minister visited India between December 22-24, 2001. On a request from the Sri Lankan Prime Minister, India agreed to supply 25000 tonnes of wheat per month for the next twelve months to Sri Lanka, at terms agreed to by both sides. The details are being worked out between the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance and the Government of Sri Lanka.